

In Council 17th Sept. 1701

N^o. 832. Sir. The great Demand we have for all the Cattle you have, collect, to supply the Troops, obliges us to require you to forward them with all possible Dispatch to this Place, that the Troops may not be delayed in their Embarkation. You must at all Events have Sixty or Seventy here on the 19th you will therefore employ what Persons are necessary to assist you in driving them here
Vachel Stevens Esq.

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833. Sir. About 2500 or 3000 French Troops will embark at this Place on Tomorrow or next Day. We have engaged to furnish the General with 200 Head of Cattle, 150 at the least to be draw down to Brent Point, they must be there on the 19th and 20th ready to be delivered to the General's Order. You must not fail to have the Cattle there in Time, as the consequence will be the detaining the Transports and disquieting the Officers. You will employ as many Persons as may be necessary to get the Cattle there at the Time appointed. If it should not be practicable to have the Whole there in Time, you must collect as many as you possibly can. You are sensible this Business is of the utmost Importance and merits and we doubt not, will have your particular Attention. We have sent you by this Opportunity £ 500. As a very laudable Spirit prevails in your County and they have manifested a Disposition to render every Aid to crown the present Operations with Success, we wish you to procure in Addition to the Number already assigned to your County, five hundred Head, and have sent you a further Sum of £ 500. You will also buy and send with the Cattle, Sixty Head of good Weathers and Lambs to Brent Point for the Use of the French and let us know the Price you give and the Expence of driving. When you are in Want of a further Supply of Money, inform us and you shall have it.
Charles Blake Esq.

In Council 17th Sept. 1702

834. Sir. We are in Want of a considerable Quantity of Whiskey and some Cyder Brandy for the Army. It is to be furnished as soon as possible, we therefore request you to procure, immediately, and forward to George Town, all the Whiskey and Cyder Brandy in your County, to be delivered to Mr. Richardson or his Assistant Mr. Beall, for which Purpose we have sent you a thousand Pound, and more shall be furnished if necessary. If you should meet with any Difficulty in purchasing these Articles, you must seize them and quit the matter, you will also impress Waggons, if they cannot be hired, for transporting the Whiskey and Brandy to George Town.
Col^o. Major Phewling & }
Col^o. Thomas Pride }